House File 551 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE 551

BY COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

(SUCCESSOR TO HF 147)

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to authorized methods of take for a resident
- 2 hunting deer using a license issued to a nonambulatory
- 3 person.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

H.F. 551

- 1 Section 1. Section 483A.8C, subsection 1, Code 2021, is 2 amended to read as follows:
- 1. A nonambulatory person who is a resident may be issued
- 4 one any sex deer hunting license to hunt deer with a shotgun,
- 5 $\underline{\text{muzzleloading rifle, or straight wall cartridge rifle}}$ during
- 6 any established deer hunting season using the method of take
- 7 authorized by rule for each season being hunted except during a
- 8 bow-only season as established by rule by the commission. If
- 9 the tag is filled during one of the seasons, the license will
- 10 not be valid in subsequent seasons. A person who applies for
- 11 a license pursuant to this section shall complete a form, as
- 12 required by rule, that is signed by a physician who verifies
- 13 that the person is nonambulatory.
- 14 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 17 This bill relates to the methods of take authorized for
- 18 use by a resident hunting deer using a license issued to a
- 19 nonambulatory person. Current law allows a nonambulatory
- 20 resident to receive one any sex deer hunting license to
- 21 hunt deer during any established deer hunting season using
- 22 the method of take authorized by rule for the season being
- 23 hunted. Under the bill, a nonambulatory resident receiving an
- 24 any sex deer hunting license under this provision may use a
- 25 shotgun, muzzleloading rifle, or straight wall cartridge rifle
- 26 during any established deer hunting season except during a
- 27 bow-only season as established by rule by the natural resource
- 28 commission.